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## HIGH PRIORITY SITE LIST FOR UXO CLEARANCE

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to paragraph 8(b) of the October 4, 2001 Settlement Agreement in the action entitled *Malama Makua v. Rumsfeld*, and the April 9, 2008 Amended Order by the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii in the action entitled *Malama Makua v. Gates*, the United States Army Garrison Hawaii (USAG-HI) hereby publishes this list (ENCLOSURE 1) of sites deemed “high priority” for unexploded ordinance (UXO) clearance with a focus on increasing access to cultural sites.

### 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

During the process of identifying these sites, USAG-HI provided meaningful opportunities for the people of the Wai’anae Coast to participate in identifying and prioritizing these areas.

Community input was solicited and received at multiple community meetings. USAG-HI also provided contact information for anyone who wished to provide input at a time or place outside of the community meetings. USAG-HI relied heavily on this community input when creating this list, along with considerations of safety to human health and environmental concerns.

### 3.0 CLEARANCE

The finalized list is intended to represent the priority in which USAG-HI, based on community input, will conduct UXO clearance. The clearance is subject to the availability of funds, safety concerns, environmental law requirements and available and appropriate technologies and methods. The numerical listing is not intended to represent a value judgment as to the relative

importance of any individual site as opposed to any other site, but is merely an administrative tool to expedite the greatest degree of cultural access in the shortest amount of time, as the public requested.

#### 4.0 FUNDING


While USAG-HI cannot guarantee funding will be available in sufficient amounts to clear every site, USAG-HI will make a good faith effort to secure funding, and will award contracts for clearance based on Department of the Army guidelines for such awards.

#### 5.0 ICM AREA SITES

Sites 4540, 5587, 5588, 5589, and 5590 are at the bottom of this list, as they are in the Improved Conventional Munitions (ICM) area, and are deemed too dangerous to clear. If, at some point in the future, technology improves and we are able to clear ICM sites, USAG-HI will make a good faith effort to do so. However, at this time, due to safety concerns, those five sites cannot be cleared.

#### 6.0 CONCLUSION

USAG-HI recognizes the cultural importance of each and every feature contained within the sites on this list. USAG-HI will perform good faith efforts to provide safe and controlled access to these areas as envisioned by the 2001 Settlement. It is conceivable that UXO clearance at some sites will be insufficient to allow safe and controlled access, although USAG-HI will make good faith efforts to do so.

  
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Enclosure

Enclosure 1

1. Site 6603
2. Site 6596
3. Site 4536
4. Site 4542
5. Site 6613
6. Site 6621
7. Site 6593
8. Site 6597
9. Site 6505
10. Site 6508
11. Site 6506
12. Site 4627
13. Site 4628
14. Site 4629
15. Site 4630
16. Site 5920
17. Site 9523
18. Site 4540
19. Site 5587
20. Site 5588
21. Site 5589
22. Site 5590

Sites 12 – 17 are the “Blue Trail” Sites.

Sites 18 – 22 are located within an ICM area.